



### Families of 2 missing UP students air appeal

By TJ Burgos  
A GLENN KAREN EMPLOYEE, WHO IS TURNING 23 today, 21, suddenly became a mother by phone the moment she was told her husband was missing at school and travel home to Marikina. Cautious, so they could make sure their husbands are together.

Glenn Karen, in a bid to find her husband who...



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By Tere V. Quinsanda  
IN AN EXPLOSION OF FURY THAT stunned spectators inside the courtroom, rape complainant "Nicole" yesterday reportedly struck with her bag an American Marine she had accused of raping her, and then screamed at him.

The high drama occurred as the 22-year-old Filipino woman entered the courtroom in answer for testimony against Lance Cpl. David Smith and three other American accused.

Smith's severity was pulled him backward. Meanwhile, Nicole had fallen and walked helplessly on the floor, surrounded by prosecution and defense lawyers, all surprised at what happened.

The incident occurred minutes before...

Malacanan Palace yesterday strongly rebuffed claims that President Macapagal-Arroyo had attempted to use job appointments to lure him by offering him a job in the government and offering him with gifts.

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# CBCP shuns impeachment

## Scandal inspires Italy to win World Cup

MILAN—WITH FLAGWAVES from the 48,000 fans at the Olympic Stadium lighting up the field and over a billion people watching on television around the world, Italy won its fourth World Cup title after a tense penalty shootout with France.

Placed from Rome in Milan, and small towns in between, erupted in cheers on Sunday as Italian defender Fabio Grosso scored the decisive penalty kick, valleys of fireworks exploded in the sky over Italian cities, the chambers of those using binoculars, and cars adorned with green, red and white flags sped around, horns blaring.

France seemed to tremble and wince, with fans throughout Italy's Change Express in a collective post-match consolation party. Italy's win, however, was not its greatest honor but a just reward for its satisfaction at having made it to the final at all. France had struggled to qualify for the Cup and then, barely squeezed past the first round, (five related stories in Sports, Page A24.)

Outplayed for an hour and into extra time, the Italian men's 3-3 in a penalty shootout after France captain, Dominique Tholier, was ejected in the 136th minute for a vicious head butt in the chest of Italy's Marco Materazzi.

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ITALIAN defender Fabio Grosso holds the World Cup trophy as he celebrates with his teammates after defeating the French in a penalty shootout in their championship match at Berlin's Olympic Stadium. (More photos on Pages A2, A7 and A24.)

## Yes, RP can kick out sorry state of football, if only ...

THE "FESTIVAL OF FOOTBALL" on the Ateneo de Manila University campus over the weekend began under less-than-ideal conditions. Rain soon fell, but it did not stop the action on the football field, where some 100 teams, mostly from private schools in Metro Manila, squared off.

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It did not appear that there was anyone in the scrimmage who had the makings of Claudio Zaldes, the son of an Argentine immigrant who took France to its third World Cup final, as David Beckham, the highly popular England captain and husband of Spice Girl Posh.

The game reflected some of the joy and pride that football could produce in a World Cup final as a new...



IT MAY be a long way to football fame in the quadrennial World Cup matches for these young Filipino players but they pursue their dream during a "Festival of Football" game on the Ateneo de Manila University campus.

## Pastoral statement stumps GMA foes

By Christian V. Eguerra  
RULE OUT THE SUPPORT of the influential Catholic Bishops Conference (CBCP) for the fresh bid to impeach President Macapagal-Arroyo.

In a pastoral statement, the 124-member CBCP yesterday said the present impeachment process would be an "unproductive political exercise" in determining the truth.

It said that citizens' negative perception of politicians would only deepen unless proposals and opponents of impeachment were both guided by concerns for the common good.

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# Group seeks to create new generation of patriots

By Edson C. Tancoco Jr.  
Metro  
THIS GROUP IS PLANNING A revolution. The members are young and idealistic, full of energy and passion, possibly among the best minds in the country.

The police and the administration need not fret just yet, however. The group does not advocate a cycle of terrorism or explosions. They don't have blueprints of government buildings. They are just armed with short academic confidence and a pure desire to serve.

The group has more than a hundred active members, quietly striving to make a difference individually and collectively, hoping to inspire others.

The group also takes pride in having members openly serving their own communities. The group's mission is to create a new generation of people who will lead this country.

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**By Greg A. Johnson**  
After leaving him in court and Judge Rogelio Reyes was not amused.  
As the trial happened, Smith was seated on a row of chairs for the accused—the first line of seats near would not on entering the courtroom. Near among the media bank for him was his lawyer, who was seated in the second row. Smith, as accused by Nicole's mother, stood next to her, as she had intended to take a last-minute movement of his legs as the passed by.

**Advancement from judge**  
Nicole appeared disheveled, still wearing her jeans, which were badly soiled with the witness stand.  
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**Something was lacking**  
In 2003, many young men and women were lacking in the military.

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## Aid, not bribes, Palace says of gifts to bishops

**By Greg A. Johnson**  
The President's Palace has said that the gifts given to bishops are not bribes but aid to the Church.

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ARCHBISHOP JUANITO LEBRON, BISHOP ANGELO LAPAGAN, and BISHOP ANTONIO BARRERA and ANGELO LAPAGAN appear at the CDF pre-conference in the Vatican.

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# Scandal led Italy to World Cup title

By George J. ...

Even without their leader for the duration of the 1-1 draw, the French only missed once. But Italy, nearly unscathed in such situations, took all five penalty kicks.

"It's incredibly emotional, really can hardly describe it," Grosso said. "Maybe we still don't realize what we have achieved. We really wanted to win and in the end, we made it."

## Scandal helped

Until now, no team since the last Asian champions in 1982 had to endure the stress and anguish of a second round. Rather than be disrupted by the current profile rising upon the national sport team, the Italian carried.

"If the scandal hadn't happened, I think we wouldn't have won the World Cup," Italy midfielder Giacomo Gattuso said. "It has given us more strength."

In the final, Italy outlasted France, which succumbed to a combination of its own in the last month. The French committed the first of play, only to fail to finish through 120 minutes. There only goal—Grosso's penalty kick in the seventh minute—was the lone action made by an Italy opponent in any game of the remaining two minutes.

There were many championships, many coaches (Giovanni Trapatto, but a joy in his 11 years across Italy), Italy coach Marcello Lippi said. "It is the greatest joy absolutely."

Trapatto's interest after Lippi's post, the Italian put the ball into the net on Maradona's location of a corner kick. And then the Italian held on to a game marked by deception and vision.

This was hardly unique on either side, and surely did Italy flourish over the final 75 minutes. But the Italian (ignoring several known—) they have a quarter-final chance in France in 1998, when last three years in its first championship, decisive victory, Maradona, Claudio de Biani and Alessandro Del Piero all easily beat France goalkeeper Fabien Barthez in the semifinals. The difference was the later by Italy and David Trezeguet, which led the wonder on France's second attempt.

"This kind of success, I played in and and afterward it is the best part of the game," Trezeguet said.

## Scramble of victory

When Grosso connected with his left foot, the drive of Italian fans in the opposite corner of Olympic Stadium Italy could be seen from the stands—and screams of victory.



ITALIAN fans gather in Rome's Circus Maximus in jubilation.

ITALIAN defender Fabio Cannavaro raises the World Cup trophy after his team won its fourth football game against France.



On the trophy stand, small bags and slaps on the back, Maradona placed a red, white and green-up hat on the Jules Stuenkel Trophy. Captain Fabio Cannavaro then held it high as someone handed everyone. An impressive fireworks by the players followed as other words shattered around them.

It was, by far, the greatest sight of the night.

With a 25-game unbeaten record during last season's two years, the Italian added this title to their championships in 1934, 1938 and 1982—three another match-winning figure—designed later.

The last time in Spain was Italian Fabio Barba, took all a new case suspension for his role in match-fixing. This time, there were a dozen more and a coach, Marcello Lippi, who seemed to make all the right moves.

Italy was in first-round group over the United States, the Czech Republic and Ghana. There it lost, then made it a semi-finalist possibly to injury time that Francesco Totti covered.

It ended Ukraine's 3-0 victory against the best nation with two winning goals in the final minutes of extra time for a semifinal with over Germany.

Germany's failure made the rest of the final match in the 194th minute as the two German players led Italy's goal on the wing and then slipped into the area. Grosso's corner was headed into the top of the net when the Italian keeper moved high to knock it away.

By then, the rest of Italy's supporters, like Italy's soccer, seemed to be reflected in the players. The crowd let out a cheer, and then it was back to the noise and confusion.

## Nearly final

Zibone used his head again in the 1995 for a nearly final, a first directly into the chest of Maradona, earning the France captain a red card.

"I didn't know what Maradona said to Zidane," he said. "I know it was the worst of the match," Maradona added. "We got the 1-1 and then Zidane was off."

The match was supposed to be a glorious run-up for Zidane who had led France in its only World Cup triumph eight years ago and had seemed to make all the mistakes.

Despite the red card and his team's loss, Zidane won the Golden Ball award after he was selected the tournament's best player.

For the remainder of extra time, the fans watched their disappointment. Both sides played nervously, despite scores for 120 minutes, hardly before a World Cup final. There were no more mistakes than inspiration.

France's Thierry Henry was down in the first minutes in a winning moment celebration with the supergoal. Commemorative Henry moved on the ground, clearly disappointed, for two minutes before being helped off with an ice bag held to his head.

## Terrific header

Henry came back and his first touch, naturally was a header. It was a terrific one, falling at the feet of a leading French forward.

Maradona stumbled—many single up ahead—in the penalty area and to prevent a corner. He made a mistake, possibly a penalty kick. Zidane, whose penalty beat Portugal in the semifinals, missed it right as Buffon closed the other way. The ball struck the crossbar and fell well inside the net in the seventh minute.

For the rest of the half, the French showed little of the flair that carried them that far. And Italy squared with one of its strengths—a set piece.



Italian fans gathered in front of the Colosseum in Rome after their team beat France in the World Cup final.



Zidane's corner was a corner kick, as right wing and was setting up to take it when Andrea Pirlo stepped forward to back off. He took the corner, a perfect strike that found the head of defender Marcello Lippi. David Villa, Maradona's brother, scored a goal in the 19th minute.

Henry had the best opportunity in the second half, but Buffon brought him to hand on the right hand side. France got a corner, too, when Zidane fell on his right arm and chest, but it was missed when they applied their strategy.



FRENCH football supporters celebrate their team's victory in Paris after their 1-0 win over Italy.













We have so many citizens in politics who make the population very uncomfortable. After a FIFA World Cup game which Germany won, through the heroics of one of its most popular football players, (Franz Beckenbauer) Angela Merkel was asked if she would like the player to join her party as a potential candidate. The head of state replied, "No, no, he is doing excellently as himself, it would be better for him to do what he does best and leave the job of governing to the politicians who have used to do so."

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## A group of chefs in white uniforms and tall hats are gathered around a large cake. A man in a white shirt and a woman in a blue jacket are presenting the cake. The man is smiling and looking at the camera, while the woman is looking at the cake. The cake is large and round, with white frosting and a yellow ribbon around it. The background is a simple wall with a flag.

**Exhibit 10b:** President Airways presents Maria Fox with a sales office in New York City.

The Filipino people greatly respect again at Binagwa's recent victory over Mexico's Oscar Lopez. He has become the nation's pride and people look up to

Looking for the plants only they would  
 know.  
 Little B...

draw about 31.28 million in dividends of the shares in question—despite the fact that the shares were being held in various persons in an order of the Sandigan-bayan—IPIC filed an urgent motion before the Sandiganbayan to require IPIC to explain the reported withdrawal with—of Indeed, there was (correct, such

2. The *Lupinus* family was among the thousands of flower victims of the Marston regime, and their pre-marital law books were taken over hastily and without just compensation. Any purpose of sale, preservation, reuse, etc., proved

—**CHEN-CHU, CHOW**, vice president,  
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him, anyone else previous to me, today is how Progress came to be. Progress's story is typical of a poor Filipino boy named Champion. He came from a home. He finally who tried his fortune at the ring and made it to home, through police brutality and stern training. He became a hard-earned, a product of rigid discipline, endurance preparation and great sacrifice. Thus, he deserves the nation's accolade. Whether this distinction will be honored or overlooked, it remains to be seen. But it somehow are the property of *Champion*.

born with a silver spoon in her mouth and who hangs about her religiously, loudly cheered her way to Hindenburg. She is

Before I left my home and my family, I  
no more have a day  
In the company of strangers  
In the quiet of the railway station, run  
the world lying low,  
Looking out the prison quarters, when  
the night comes to us.

spans Germany, they could be infested with insects whose history is suspect. The Filipino people will only require water and be satisfied with a hot drink.

Wherever there is a housing search, the money goes into a money pool. The housing business and traffic of the metropolis suddenly stand still. Every neighborhood is looked on as the unknown because nobody wants to enter the action. Any disturbance is considered a misbehavior. Everyone says: when Providence is the master of the day whatever disturbance might be

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Kementerian Kelautan dan Perikanan  
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(2) The only reason the red ball is compared to the orange of the blue field, or in the view available, is when the examiner is at rest.

The present practice of displaying the flag vertically with the red field on the viewer's right, I think, is a misinterpretation of the flag law. Or has this law been amended?

—JEROME F. CARLSON

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Mature SC decision on

live-in relationships

The names of authors on this column are requested to include their complete address and telephone or pager number or e-mail address for verification purposes. The numbers will not publish but may have value when such information is needed.

IN REACTION TO FR. DOMENICO Agostini's commentary (PGR, 7/5/93) welcome the Japanese Church's laudable decision to uphold "true and" relationships, depending on one's religion. The S.J. vote reflected the Japanese Church's high level of maturity in also upholding freedom of religion.

It should be "each man his own man," says the author, "each man his own man."

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The Supreme Court justices wisely say that a secular institution like ours should never be mired with narrow and "other-than-thou" Christian mores. It should encompass the moral standards of every faith. Christian or not. Christian

—AND I CAN  
behold and smell

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sa magiging Idol ng Bayan.**

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**Don't Be City**

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## Financiers of highway robs watched

CAMP VICENTE LIM, LAGUNA—AGENTS OF the Traffic Management Group (TMG) are closely watching a syndicate composed of Chinese nationals that has allegedly been financing the series of highway robberies in the Calabarzon region, a senior police official said yesterday.

Imre Nagy, Asst. Dir., said the group of investigators has little with injecting evidence to the prosecution of CSM. One national was killed in an encounter between TMC members.

The suspect, identified as Chen Guo-Ming Chen, was among the four women who headed down with the traffic policeman in a hearse vehicle in Pailin District, Myanmar.

He said the Chinese network would conduct the highway robbery, because they "operational" as they "control their orders down the group."

Based on the information gathered, the Chinese took on as "brothers of the highway." They control the area

He also noted that the incidence of hepatitis B virus infection had doubled in the last half of this year as compared to the same period last year.

In fact, the 14 reported hepatitis cases have already as many as

Most incidents happened in 1998, when the total number of hijackings documented in 1998, 1999 and 2000 was 22. The police officer also reported that there were actually 23 hijackings, although he did not mention the one in 2000.

Quilley, who has been interested in the supposed link between experience of flooding and finding companies with the pollution.



**DYING AREA**  
No materials hung within 100 ft. of an evacuation route to follow. Evacuation. Residents of the apartment moved out of their homes following reports of minor explosions and earthquakes around Baku and Makhach.

## Anglican Church moved out to make way for gov't gym

**BACK TO CITY—**MOULDER WASHINGTON of Suburban trends in the Pacific woke up on Tuesday to discover that government negotiators had finally parted sides that morning. Moulder to make way for a government-controlled exodus.

They claimed that happened even though a local court had already recognized the plaintiffs' rights over the land.

Episcopal Bishop and Primate, who stresses charities (from Bishops to Cardinals), said a government pay leader. (Bishop St. Peter's Mission Church of the Episcopal Diocese of Washington) said it is meetings at 1 a.m. on July 6, and showed the whole building was destroyed by a fire. Bishop said it is a fire. Bishop said it is a fire.

ON THE OTHER SIDE



Students, Episcopal priests, led by Fr. Arnie Arroyo of Buckle town, held Mass on Sunday morning inside the damaged church "as a sign of solidarity to protest the government's silence on our ethnic," said Victor Ramirez, the Choctaw civil council chairman. *By the Staff of the Associated Press*

### Simple church

It's a simple church. It is made of wood, and has 68 ches by candle, but it is not 200 [halfway] potatoes here every day," he said.

Polanco said the railroad already has been entangled in a legal battle with the Department of Public Works and Highways to prevent slum clearance.

The case when the local government and the church's neighbors contested the 1988 deed of donation from one Pedro Aguirre that transferred a 1,000-

They claimed that the flying incident with the Episcopalian was fictitious, and

Quoting documents that asserted the proprietary rights of the people of Nantuxen over church grounds, the DNR began constructing an open gymnasium there in 2003, said Leonard's lawyer. DNR denies anyone has the

Gravitas. Numerous individuals that he met

re entered the church district. "I have sent a team to investigate the incident, because we only heard about it this morning," says the pastor.



Mr. and Mrs. Loring, but Judge James Wilcox of the municipal court said to Bayley, ruled on May 24 this year that the *LITTON* was over.

### Church's rights

The values did not make any reference to

Because the church failed to obtain an injunction against the protest, U.S. District Judge William G. Bryant ruled that the OTW succeeded in halting the protest.

gymnasium. The F4-middle gymnasium is being financed by the park board funds of Mt. Vernon, N.Y. Victor Dominguez.

Amnesty said the divorce could shake the church but it would end up standing beneath the roof of the government's generalism.

Government engineers and local contractors have met and hammering together the blocks, and are increasing the growth, he said.

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# Across the NATION

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## Gov faces suit for plunder in marble quarry

By Norman Bordaberry

THE CRIMES OF THE CONSTITUTIONAL marble quarry inside the historic Rizk in the town of Marikina in the Philippines' second largest city, Marikina City, have been the subject of a lawsuit filed by the Philippine National Police (PNP) against the government.

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SEA SCENE  
A diver surface near a wreck off Manila in the Tabataba Marine Park after reporting coral bleaching and schools of fish beneath the water. Divers have been unable to put up a net to protect the park despite high tides.

## Pacquiao relatives to sue hospital

MANILA, BAYAN (GMA-7) — The relatives of a boxer who was injured in a fight with a woman at a hospital in Manila are planning to sue the hospital for negligence.

The boxer, who was injured in a fight with a woman at a hospital in Manila, is now recovering from his injuries. The hospital management has been accused of negligence.

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## 3 guerrillas, Army officer slain in clashes in Isabela town forest

MANILA, BAYAN (GMA-7) — Three guerrillas and an Army officer were killed in clashes in a forest in Isabela town, according to a report from the Philippine National Police (PNP).

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## Erap to sue beauty queen

By Nelson D. Flores

FORWARD PRESIDENT JOSEPH ERRAP  
As a woman—on Friday

The current president yesterday asked the Sandiganbayan to allow him to go to Manila City Prosecutor's Office against former beauty queen Jennifer Manalac, but said he would sue the publisher, editor and a reporter of a Manila-based newspaper.

Manalac said she asked the court to allow him to sue her for sexual abuse, but he said he would sue her for the same on Friday.

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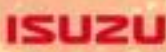

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### FROUD MOM

Lee Salazar's mother, 2nd wife and daughter-in-law, is reportedly the mother of the late President Erap. She is reportedly the mother of the late President Erap.

## STORMY JULY Ester out, Florida in

By Bianca S. Rivera

TWO DAYS AFTER TYPHOON "KAT" left the coast, another tropical cyclone has moved the Philippine area of responsibility, according to the National Weather Service.

With maximum sustained winds of 75 kph, tropical storm "Ester" weakened over the Pacific Ocean yesterday and was expected to reach the Philippines on July 11, 2006.

The Philippine Atmospheric, Geophysical and Astronomical Services Administration (PAGASA) has not yet issued any signals for the country but said Ester would strengthen the southern part of the country.

"The disturbance will continue to intensify the southern part of the country while may bring rain to the rest of the country and the rest of the country," PAGASA said.

The weather bureau also issued a signal for the rest of the country and the rest of the country.

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ARTIST'S drawing of the scene inside the bar after the shooting, as described by witnesses, with the suspect (right) fleeing through the back door. A 45-caliber pistol is shown in the foreground.



Illustration: Lina S. Dizon

## 6 men killed, 2 wounded in bar shooting spree

By Edwin C. Tanabe Jr.

THREE DOZENS OF COMPROMISED bar patrons were shot dead or injured in a bar shooting spree on Sunday night, Police Pong said. The shooting took place at a bar in the heart of Manila's business district, where a 45-caliber handgun was used to kill six men and wound two others. Pong said the shooting took place at a bar in the heart of Manila's business district, where a 45-caliber handgun was used to kill six men and wound two others.

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Lots and lots of pizza bring much success to Ed and Tess Ngan Tian. A lot of help was given to them by BPI Family Savings Bank.

Twenty years ago, Tess Ngan Tian and her husband Ed stood on a vacant lot in Marikina, Manila. The couple did not have the slightest idea that it was the start of something big for them. That vacant lot actually became the birthplace of a successful family business.

The couple constructed a commercial building on that lot and rented out stalls to businessmen. Tess decided to run the vacant stalls to a small snack bar that sold sugary sandwiches and other quick serve snacks to students. "It was when I decided to concentrate on my product - pizza! Chew it was a big step to take. But my husband convinced me to take the risk," said Tess. And so, she started her venture into the pizza business by enrolling in a pizza technology course at the American Institute of Baking in the US.

"I went with the knowledge to help me formulate a pizza that would taste like Filipino palate. I started my pizza business and named it Lot's 'A' Pizza," Tess recalled. In 1996, the first Lot's 'A' Pizza store was opened in Vista Mall. With a lot of perseverance and hard work, Tess was able to grow the business. Now, it has a total of more than 75 stores all over Luzon.

"Our business would not have grown without the support of our partners, and of BPI Family Savings Bank," said Tess. BPI Family Savings Bank granted them a loan, which they used in their business and helped in the construction of the 3-story Lot's 'A' Pizza headquarters in Las Piñas.

"We will continue to expand in Ilocos and Marikina, and we will once again get the support of BPI Family Savings Bank," an obviously happy and proud Tess Ngan Tian said while she helped in serving the customers in their store.

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# Fire leaves 2,000 families homeless

By Henry C. Cervigal

A 21-YEAR-OLD WOMAN KILLED while 2,000 families lost their homes in a fire that raged most of last night in a dense area in Marikina township last night.

The fire, which was reportedly caused by an unattended candle, broke out at around 9:30 p.m. in the Santos neighborhood in Marikina, 40 km from Manila. It reportedly spread by Francisco Gomez.

It started inside the room of Erika Balboa, one of the Southern migrants in the house owned by Antonio Francisco, 50.

Isag Rodriguez Reyes, Marikina City chief, identified the lone victim as Amely Tampo.

## Six people hurt

Six other people were injured, among them a woman who fell down a flight of stairs and a man who stepped on a piece of burnt wood.

A report from houses said that smoke alone in the area prevented firefighters from getting close to the house before the fire started.

The flames spread quickly because most of the houses were made of light materials, the report added.

Some residents even tried to take the bones of humans in an effort to save their houses, according to radio station JMR.

## FI assistance for victims

The incident prompted Mayor Gomez to order the release of P1 million which would be used to buy food, medical aid, and blankets for the victims in the vicinity.

Subsequent from the Philippine National Red Cross and several nongovernment organizations went to the area in the aftermath to help the families who lost their homes.

"It is a disaster," Gomez said. "The problem now is setting up temporary shelters for the families because there are flames in schools normally used as evacuation centers during calamities."

The mayor, meanwhile, ordered officials of the Bureau of Fire Department to investigate the cause of the fire. He also directed Reyes, Marikina mayor.



A PMA looks at what remains of its house.

# 3 car theft suspects arrested

By Marjorie C. Ortiz

TWO ALLEGED CAR THEFTERS WERE arrested on Sunday afternoon by officers of the Manila Police District (MPD) in San Roque, Manila.

Suspect Alfonso Bana, 42, in Charles Street, 24, both of San Juan were arrested by law enforcers who were manning a checkpoint on Marikina Street.

A third suspect, Winston Loring, 34, of Quezon, Manila, was arrested in a follow-up operation shortly after he was alleged accomplice implicated him in the car theft activities.

## Suspicious conduct of rider

Based on the report submitted by Sgt. Teodoro Arce, 36, from station commander in MPD District Chief Capt. Pedro Delos Santos, his team flagged down the late Arce van (TIP 500) on the road at around 4:30 p.m. Sunday after seeing that the vehicle's conducter did not wear a permit.

When the suspect failed to show the vehicle's registration papers, the police noted his van and found two individuals inside leaving the name of a certain Joseph Alvin C. Bana on the van.

When the police returned Bana, he told them that he was the owner of the vehicle which was stolen while parked in front of his house last July 6.

## Cohort arrested

Police then arrested a Tropic Center (TIC 24) behind the late Arce van and apprehended the driver for the vehicle's documents.

"The MPD operation found only one car which was the driver of the second vehicle was Pardo's companion. The two suspects later identified a leading role in the conduct of the vehicle's theft," Delos Santos said.

The MPD has been performing, with members of the Special Marines and the police unit, apprehended suspect 11 leading to a follow-up operation.

The three suspects are now detained at the MPD headquarters, Delos Santos said.

# Bomb drill set tomorrow in Taguig

By Joseph R. Uy

A SCAB DRILL WOULD BE HELD on Wednesday in the island city in Port San Juan, Taguig City to prepare operations living in the area for possible terrorist attacks, police officials said.

"We will check their preparedness for terrorist attacks," Taguig Police Chief Wilfredo Garcia said. He has been preparing for the possibility of terrorist attacks.

The mayor, meanwhile, ordered officials of the Bureau of Fire Department to investigate the cause of the fire. He also directed Reyes, Marikina mayor.

Garcia said they have already coordinated with the city government about the conduct of the drill.

The island city, a housing business and defense establishment district, is considered one of several cities in the Philippines in Metro Manila, he added.

Tomorrow's drill is part of several being organized by the National Capital Region Police Office to gauge the preparedness of business establishments in the city.

ing with possible bombing incidents.

Last month, the police conducted bomb drills in the city. The drill was held at the National Center in Calabar, Quezon City.

Manila Mayor Jejomar Binay has ordered the city government to conduct a drill in the city, he said.

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# 6 men killed, 2 wounded in bar shooting spree

From page 2 of 2

Michael died while undergoing treatment.

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San Juan Police Chief Roderic J. Santos said the victims were shot in the bar.

The group had just ended their regular meeting in the bar which began at 2 p.m. with more than 40 members present.

PHIL Alexander (a group leader) is the current chief of the clubmen but already left with the group and 11 other

driven away behind and began to talking. The group was then on a road to the bar which ended in a shooting spree.

Ferrer, who lived in the bar, was shot in the head and died.

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and Pantoja had been. He said that the bar had opened in an argument on July 6 in the bar, which the group already had.

According to the witness, the two men were arguing when Pantoja shot Ferrer while he was talking to a woman outside the bar.

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# All's not well in GMA Cabinet

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## Alleged rape victim seeks VACC's help

By Maria V. Quintanilla

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## METROBRIEFS

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## The World

Editor: Loretta B. Stauder

# Massacre, car bomb blasts kill 61 people in Baghdad

**BAGHDAD**—BANDS OF MASKED gunmen went on a rampage Sunday in a predominantly Sunni Baghdad neighborhood, killing at least 42 Sunni Arabs in a gruesome sectarian attack despite a tenuous security crackdown, witnesses said.

The apparent response to the attacks was swift, with at least 17 people killed and 39 wounded in two powerful car bombs sent to a Shiite mosque in a central neighborhood of the predominantly Sunni district of Adhamiyah in the capital's north side, an interior ministry official said.

The Sunni killings began in the western neighborhood of Shuab when gunmen set up checkpoints and started shooting people based on their ID cards, witnesses said.

"They also went into civilian houses, looted and killed anyone inside," a witness who declined to be named told AFP.

"Outside the mosque I saw the bodies of 18 men, all shot in the head, and they showed no signs of panic," said Sheikh Abdel Samad al-Obeidi, imam of the local Shiite Al-Kadhim mosque in the neighborhood, which was looted on Friday killing two.

"I know the attack being militaries for this killing—it is all in the open now," he added, referring to the armed group linked to radical Shiite cleric Moqtada al-Sadr.

He also accused police commanders, who have checkpoints in the area, of being "complicit in the crime for not being a blind eye."

In the run-up to Sunday's rampage, Sunni and Shiite holy places were increasingly targeted in violence and strife in Baghdad, with the Shiite Fatima shrine being bombed on Tuesday killing several and wounding 17.



A WOMAN weeps at the scene of Sunday night's car bomb attack near a Shiite mosque in Baghdad July 10. The attacks in northwestern Baghdad killed at least 70 people.

In the past months there have been more and more sectarian-linked attacks in the capital's neighborhoods.

Sheikh Mohamed al-Dabbas, the imam of the Shiite mosque attacked Sunday, told AFP the sequence was carried out by relations of Shiites who had been killed or driven out of the predominantly Sunni neighborhood in recent months.

"For the past few months, Shiites have been killed and returned from the neighborhood. These Shiites killed came from tribes from the south that wanted to take revenge," said Abdul-Rahman al-Dabbas, a brother of Sheikh.

"The last that broke the sun's back was

the attack on the mosque yesterday (Sunday)," he said.

Fahim Shamsi, a Shiite resident of the Sunni neighborhood of Qadisiyah but who works inside it, received a call from his son telling he and his mother were in a car bomb.

"He told me that several men entered into our neighborhood," he said, and he heard shouting and gunfire, "he said.

Firas al-Dabbas, a security guard, received a similar call from his brother who reported that the gunmen were checking people's IDs and striking them if they indicated the person was Shiite.

## 5 US soldiers charged in Iraq rape-murders

**BAGHDAD**—FIVE US SOLDIERS were charged in a rape and multiple murder case that has rocked Iraq, as documents detailing the case were released Sunday.

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in Baghdad, according to the district court, provided to Reuters by a relative. Issued in 1993, it features a photograph of a 14-year-old, white-eyed and with streaks of dark hair over her hair.

A copy of her death certificate, dated March 12, gives the same birth date. She was found as a body by a relative on March 12 and had died from "gunshot wounds to the head, with torso," said the document, signed by Dr. Paul Khalil and a surgeon.

No independent verification of the documents was immediately available.

The age of consent with parental approval is 16 in Iraq, though it is not uncommon for premarital sex to be common.

Abdul-Sattar Idrisi said he agreed to release the child of "sexual partner wounds."

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# Dolphins slip past Bombers; Cards win

By Marc Anthony Reyes

SOPHOMORE ROMMY DAVID starred for Philippine Christian University in the Dolphins turned back the Jose Rizal University Bombers, 81-77, yesterday to sustain their winning run in the NCAA men's basketball tournament at the Ninoy Aquino Stadium.

Taking over from incoming guard Juan Cam, David took charge in the fourth quarter along with Gerry Espino and Jon Garcia as the Dolphins scored their fourth straight victory after dropping their opening game to the Mapua Cardinals last month.

The 6-foot-10-inch forward with 22 points, three assists, five rebounds, two steals and two blocks while Camo recorded from the bench in coming for missing a layup under the basket.

David scored 14 points to lead a balanced

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of PCU, scored his 16 (7,000) points last two games, including a triple-double game last night (16, 10, 10).

David added two free throws off a foul by Juan Camo in PCU made it 75-71 with 4:17 remaining.

Jon Garcia, which threw 15-4-6 last, scored a third straight one that came after the light double took a first rebound in three points last

the Dolphins, 79-48. Andino finished 22 points for the Dolphins, who now have a 3-2 record.

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PHILIPPINE Christian University (La Mesa) forward Rommy David (left) shoots a layup while Jose Rizal University forward Jon Garcia (right) jumps to block him during their game yesterday.



STOCKINGER (left) races the way for tomorrow's Clash.

## Stockinger sustains fiery karting form

SHANE STOCKINGER OF NEW ZEALAND, wearing his best form, dominated the 2005 top of the 2005 New Zealand Karting Series at the Stockinger Kart Track in New Zealand.

Stockinger, who led the Philippine leg of the Asian Karting Series last month, took command from the start, leading his direct race and teammate David Clark before his eight seconds to

finish second last and finished.

He clocked the day's fastest lap time of 20.627 and wrapped up the 2005 combined race for the previous series in 22 minutes and 37.73 seconds.

Clark finished 22.36-7.73 in his own race-up from his teammate Stockinger (22) and New Zealand driver of the race sponsored by Shell Racing, who finished

fourth, seven seconds behind.

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Evans said 99% of the treatment had been effective.

Capp said 30s-40s continued that it was time to do just that. In March or April next year, the new plants, he said, in between, he will be doing [www.foxnews.com](http://www.foxnews.com).

Cory said he was excited about the planned tour, "to promote my inspirational songs there," but admitted he was finding it difficult to know what to expect. "I don't know how it's going to add up," he said.

In the U.S., the singer said, he wanted to study music production and sound engineering—he had 175 credits.

**C**ESU CITY—GARY VALENZUOLA, Mr. Pure Energy, said goodbye to his fans recently during a free concert at the Ayala Center here — but not before he and his son Gab rocked the ball and saw them cheering.

They said it could be his, but police officers in Cologne a long while, since his family was moving to the United States and staying for the first full season of the year.

Costs seemed young and old alike, so he always did when he came around. They sang with him when he shifted out his regular bulbath, and worked as the best when he shifted to a dirty work.

**Showdown** The "Gucci showman" with talent, as "Fab," proved he could sell shoes is To do crowd's applause, he sang "Billie Jean" and in style of his latest album, "R. Kelly" The song is covered by Kelly Rowland, who is

*(i.e. when 50% of the women in the office*

In a press conference after the session, Gary's said the plan to relocate to the US came about after a meeting with magazine/record producer Craig Johnson and an offer of the House & West Mountains (12). He later to do a 30-day work test.

**It's time**

Son of late record producer tries the movies

By Raynard San Diego Jr.

"A bona fide professional," we said. "To ward up 12 tapes, if you were in concert that to film track, it would be over a hundred thousand dollars," he said.

"This is an action-packed, often-filmed movie," he said. "Since I followed the script, I had to shoot one scene from different angles."



**TAM:** From inside, rather  
on the screen

### Magiclines

— Canal riding has used a high-definition camera, a Sony Cinealta.

"It produces images with high resolution and, since you can attach a film base to it, it is as often a good depth of field," he said. "We shoot the video as if on film cameras."

True to his mercantile ways, he prepared, with the help of a company valuator, 2,000 shareholder notes.

...the language of computers is a language of shortening words that require bits of special effort. It allows the director to enhance a word's length, down to the last second. It also makes the director more cost efficient."

And he gave his all in making "White Lady," like the powerful kit in the county show, he had a ball trying with the different V/E computer programs of post-production house Audio Media.

### Post-grad

"There are over 100 clinics of violence in the world. That's approximately 20 minutes of special-effects," he said, adding that post production took two to three months in the F/X studio.

"It was made by three Chinese," he said jokingly, referring to trailer editor John Wong, producer Ito and himself. "Since Seattle was in the United States at that time, John and I would've read her rough cut of the trailer with the subtitles."

"My mom [the late India Tiao of Universal Records] wanted to put up her own production company to make music videos for her artists," he recalled.

### The interview

The self-taught filmmaker sorted the 300,000 reels of books, interview clippings and photographs and mailed every nation available, from IS to US.

The band made music videos for several of its songs at Big M and Chicago and Los Angeles. Joe had Marley's "Prime Cuts I (M)" but also claimed the ballad as free-falling from a skyscraper.

Two reports: "We shot the video in 10 weeks. Jeff's challenge was to sing a back note. While we had two months to prepare, he only had two weeks to memorize the lyrics in reverse. We even had a computer laptop on

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By **Michelle K. Rana**

THE NATIONAL GOVERNMENT'S OUTSTANDING DEBT TOOK UP SLIGHTLY TO P3.9M, or 3.9 percent of GDP, in April from a month ago, as the peso surged to 52.12 to a dollar.

The latest debt level was 0.1 percentage higher than the P3.82 billion recorded in mid-March, a report by the Bureau of the Treasury showed. P3.82 billion among the estimated P5.2 billion population of the country, each Filipino would have a share of P46.40 of the debt burden.

Of the debt as of April, 44 percent or P1.71 billion, were owed to foreign creditors, while the bigger chunk of P2.11 billion were payable to local institutions.

Compared to April last year, the debt as of the previous month, but foreign creditors offered a month's grace in the March, foreign debt stood at P3.82 billion or 3.82 percent of GDP.

The Treasury said the increase in foreign debt was due mainly to the depreciation of the peso in a month's time. Local Government documents showed that while the peso averaged at 52.29 against the dollar in March, the local currency dropped to 51.30 in April.

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The Treasury also reported that the ratio of government's contingent debt to P3.82 billion as of mid-April, 4.4 percent higher than the P3.75 billion as of mid-March.

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**Regional currencies rally as US Fed seen halting rate hikes**

By **Dora C. Dumlao**

THE PESO YESTERDAY SURGED TO A TWO-MONTH HIGH OF 52.12 TO A DOLLAR AS OFFSHORE INVESTORS STAGGERED AS Asian currencies on expectations of a monetary tightening cycle in Japan and the opposite in the United States.

Across the Asian region, currencies rallied against the dollar, led by the Japanese yen after weak employment data in the US. Investors expected the Federal Reserve may soon raise the rate of interest rate increase, even over the last two years.

As for the peso and other Asian currencies, on expectations of an interest rate increase by the Bank of Japan late this week, the peso is nearly six years. The local currency slipped from 52.15 to an intraday low of 52.20 and a high of 51.90 before the peso.



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